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## BUSH-CLINTON KATRINA FUND HOSTS GRANT-WRITING WORKSHOP

WASHINGTON—On Saturday, April 22, the Bush-Clinton Katrina Fund will host a grant-writing workshop at the New Orleans Marriott for faith leaders of houses of worship destroyed and damaged by Hurricane Katrina. The conference will include workshops providing technical grant writing assistance on how to apply for rebuilding grants of up to \$35,000 and counseling sessions for affected Gulf Coast religious leaders. Due to hotel capacity the event is limited to 1,000 persons so each institution is urged to send only one representative. "This day touches spiritual, emotional, and practical needs," said Bush-Clinton Katrina Fund Interfaith Advisory Committee co-chair Bishop T. D. Jakes. "This day is one step in a journey to help the helpers, and though it's the first step, it's the right step."

"Grants of up to \$35,000 cannot rebuild entire churches, but they can lay foundations and begin to rebuild hope," said Bush-Clinton Katrina Fund Interfaith Advisory Committee co-chair Rev. William Gray. "The Bush-Clinton Katrina Fund has allocated \$20 million for religious institutions. Before the end of the day, applicants will know what the criteria are and how to complete an application form."

WHAT: Bush-Clinton Katrina Fund Technical Assistance Conference and

Spiritual Renewal Service

WHEN: Saturday, April 22; 7 am to 6 pm

WHERE: New Orleans Marriot Hotel, 555 Canal St., New Orleans, LA

**Registration**: One representative from each affected congregation is encouraged to register on line at <a href="www.bushclintonkatrinafund.org">www.bushclintonkatrinafund.org</a>, or by phone at 504-284-5554

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